

Town of Shrewsbury - Board of Selectmen
Richard D. Carney Municipal Office Building-Selectmen's Meeting Room
100 Maple Avenue
Monday, October 18, 2004 at 7:00 PM

Minutes

Present:

Bruce Card, Maurice DePalo, Thomas Fiore, Philip Hammond, John Lebeaux, and Daniel Morgado, Town Manager. Mr. DePalo called the meeting to order at 7:04pm.

Preliminaries:

1. Approve bills, payrolls and warrant #0527 in the amount of \$1,627,783.82, #0529 in the amount of \$277,350.14, #0530 in the amount of \$2,655,964.05, and #0532 in the amount of \$3,563,596.39.
2. Approve Minutes of October 4, 2004. Motion made, seconded and unanimously voted to approve.
3. Announcements – Mr. DePalo announced that night paving of the Town Center is scheduled for Thursday, October 21st and Friday, October 22nd from 8:00pm to 6:00am weather permitting. Residents are advised to use alternate routes during this period. Mr. DePalo apologized to abutting businesses and residents for this inconvenience but this allows the State to complete the paving in a more timely and efficient manner. Mr. Lebeaux reported that a very informative meeting was held last Friday with Asst. State Treasurer Timothy Brooks arranged by Rep. Polito.
4. Town Manager's Report – Mr. Morgado noted that bids for the property at 52 Holden Street will be received until 2:00pm on October 28th. There are no viewing hours currently scheduled. However, anyone wishing to look at the property should call Town Hall for an appointment.

Meetings:

- 4a. 7:00pm – Dennis Osborne, Shrewsbury Housing Authority. Mr. Osborne, Mary Jordalen, Chairperson, and Richard Ricker, one of the Commissioners of the Authority were present. Mr. Osborne explained that they were present to ask the Board to approve and sign an application regarding a property on Ridgeland Road that had been filed with the DMH a few years ago and now needed the Board's endorsement. Mr. Ricker noted that there still would be quite a few hurdles before ground can finally be broken on the project. After a discussion and questions from the Board motion was made to endorse Shrewsbury Housing Authority's application for the property on Ridgeland Road. Motion was seconded and unanimously voted. Mr. DePalo asked Mr. Osborne and Mr. Ricker to remain for the discussion on local preference policy.
5. 7:05pm – Local Preference Policy – Judy Barrett. Ms. Barrett was present and reviewed the current State policy regarding local preference. She also reviewed the draft policy she had put together for the Board on AvalonBay. Ms. Barrett noted that projects similar to AvalonBay use a lottery system to administer the policy. Mr. Ricker said the Housing Authority has a lottery system in place for their units and this system could also be used for Avalon which could be administered by the Authority. Mr. DePalo said that the Board should stipulate that the number of units designated for local preference should remain that way in perpetuity and not change when a unit changes hands. Ms. Barrett said that this arrangement could be worked out with the developer. After a discussion, it was concluded that the Board needs to adopt a criteria for the policy before proceeding to a public hearing. Mr. Hammond and Mr. Card will meet with Mr. Osborne to draft a policy for review at the November 8th meeting.
- 5a. 7:30pm – Carolyn Marcotte – School Financing. Ms. Marcotte, Town Treasurer, and James McCaffrey, Chairman of the Finance Committee, were present. Ms. Marcotte reviewed the bond financing due on November 10th. Mr. Morgado advised the Board that he and Ms. Marcotte has spoken to the town's financial advisor and he suggested that the town not renew the bonds but put them out for bid taking advantage of the low interest rates. Mr. McCaffrey recommended this as a prudent move for the town. The purpose of this meeting was to advise the Board of this recommendation and that their signatures will be needed on November 15th. The Board agreed to move forward with the recommendation as presented.

Public Hearings:

6. 7:30pm – Dennis Daly, 42 Harvard Avenue – Violation of Dog Order/Restrictions. (Postponed) Mr. DePalo advised that the Daly's had requested postponement of this hearing for good reason. Motion was made to adjourn the hearing until November 22, 2004 at 7:15pm. Motion was seconded and unanimously voted.

Old Business:

7. Chief Sampson's Response re Traffic Complaint from Stephen Heald. No need for further review.

New Business:

8. Approve List of Private Streets to Receive Snow & Ice Control Services. Pursuant to MGL Chapter 40, Section 6c – Removal of ice and snow from private ways. Motion was made to remove Pond Street, Howard Street from Caroline Avenue to Willard Avenue and Naples Street from Edgewater Avenue to Plainfield Avenue from the 2004 Private Street Plow List. Motion seconded and unanimously voted. Motion was made and voted unanimously to approve the 2004 Private Street Plow List as revised. Mr. Morgado advised the Board that they will receive a list of subdivision streets for action at a later date. He suggested that the Board consider passing on the costs of snow and ice removal for unaccepted subdivision streets to the developer.
9. Request from School Dept. to paint lines on High School access road. Motion was made, seconded and unanimously voted to approve the School Department's request.
10. Meeting Schedule – First Half of 2005. Mr. Depalo suggested that the Board check their calendars and hold action until the next meeting.
11. Sign revised warrant for State Election. Motion was made, seconded and unanimously voted to sign the revised warrant.

Executive Session:

12. Collective bargaining, value of real property and pending litigation. Not needed.

Communications:

13. Noted copy mailed: Letter from Mr. Morgado to Joseph Cariglia re Cross Street trees.
14. Noted copy mailed: Notice of Immediate Response Action from CMG Environmental re: Former Lomma Trucking Facility, 476 Hartford Turnpike. Request copy of complete report.
15. Noted copy mailed: Notice from Executive Office for Administration & Finance re: Public Hearing – Sale of 10 to 15+ Acres of Land, State Highway Route 9, Glavin Regional Center. Hearing is scheduled for October 20th in the Town Hall. Board chair will attend to make sure that purchaser of this property be made aware that land is to be used for non-residential purposes only.
16. Noted copy mailed: ZBA Procedural History & Decision, 6/24/04, AvalonBay Communities, Inc. 890 Hartford Turnpike.
17. Noted copy mailed: ZBA Hearing Minutes, 8/3/04, Patricia Swaney, 18 Seneca Street.
18. Noted copy mailed: ZBA Hearing Minutes, 8/3/04, Bin Liu, 10 Roberts Street.
19. Noted copy mailed: ZBA Hearing Minutes, 8/3/04, Joseph Pepper, 7 Ira Avenue.
20. Noted copy mailed: ZBA Hearing Minutes, 8/3/04, Govone Brothers Realty, Inc. 587 Hartford Turnpike.
21. Noted copy mailed: ZBA Hearing Minutes, 8/3/04, Peter & Annette Hanson, 277 Maple Avenue.
22. Noted copy mailed: School Committee Meeting Minutes, 8/17/04 & 9/9/04.
23. Noted copy mailed: ZBA Hearing Agenda, 10/26/04.
24. Noted copy mailed: Announcement from Exec. Office of Environmental Affairs re Smart Growth Technical Assistant Grants FY2005.
25. Noted copy mailed: Notice from Dept. of Telecommunications & energy re approval of tariffs for NSTAR Electric & NSTAR Gas Company.
26. Noted copy mailed; ZBA Hearing Minutes, 9/14/04, Linda & Alfred Acciardo, 88 Old Faith Road.
27. Noted copy mailed: Dept of Revenue, Informational Guideline Release, No. 04-101, October 2004 Municipal Finance Oversight Board.
28. Noted copy mailed: Dept. of Revenue, Bulletin, 2004-16B, Cape Cod Land Bank & Community Preservation Act.
29. Noted copy mailed: Dept. of Revenue, Bulletin, 2004-17B, Veteran Exemptions.
30. Noted copy mailed: Dept. of Revenue, Bulletin, 2004-18B, Fiscal Year 2005 Property Tax Bills.
31. Noted copy mailed: Dept. of Revenue, Bulletin, 2004-19B, 2004 Legislation.
32. Noted copy mailed: Mr. Morgado's letter appointing Edward Vigliatura, Jr. to the Parks Commission. Mr. Vigliatura is replacing Robert Zecco on the Commission.
33. Noted copy mailed: Mr. Morgado's response to Stephen Heald re traffic conditions.
34. Noted copy mailed: Memo from Mr. Morgado re Status of Comprehensive Wastewater Planning Project (CWMP).
35. Noted copy mailed: Invitation from ARC to a presentation by Attorney General Thomas Reilly.
36. Noted copy mailed: Veolia Water Monthly Compliance Report, September 2004.
37. Noted copy mailed: Westborough Treatment Plant Board Meeting Minutes, 9/6/04.

38. Noted copy mailed: Notice of meeting from ARC re *The State of the Workforce: Changes, Challenges & Opportunities in the 495/Metrowest Region*.
39. Noted copy mailed: Invitation from Treasurer Cahill to discussion on Revised School Building Assistance Program.
40. Noted copy mailed: Letter from Anthony J. Trotto, Jr., 18 Fruit Street, re purchase of abutting Town owned land. Mr. Morgado will meet with Mr. Trotto to determine his plans for use of this land.
41. Noted copy mailed: Letter from Robert Courtney, 50 Kinglet Drive, requesting stop sign at corner of Kinglet Drive and Grace Avenue. Forward to Police Dept. for recommendation.
42. Noted copy mailed: School Committee Meeting Agenda, 10/20/04.

Motion was made, seconded, and unanimously voted to adjourn at 8:34pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice C. McCoy
Secretary